

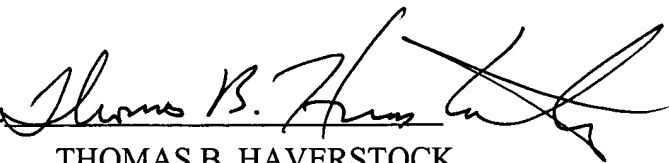
REMARKS

Applicants elect Group 1, claims 1-12, for continued prosecution. The Applicant expressly reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed toward the non-elected groups. The applicants respectfully point out that within Group 2, claim 13 directly depends from claim 1 and claims 14-17 depend from claim 13. Therefore, claim 13-17 are dependent from claim 1. Within Group 3, claim 18 depends directly from claim 1 and claim 19-20 depends from claim 18. Therefore, claims 18-20 are dependent from claim 1.

Applicants respectfully submit that the Claims 1-12 are in a condition for allowance, and allowance at an early date would be appreciated. Moreover, Applicants respectfully submit that the restriction of Group 2 and Group 3 should be reevaluated in that these claims depend from claim 1 of Group 1. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (408) 530-9700 to discuss the same so that any outstanding issues can be expeditiously resolved.

Respectfully submitted,
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